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Applicants: Iain B. FINDLETON et al.
Serial No.: 10/714,401
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Title: METHOD FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF LOCAL CLIENT CACHE
 BUFFERS IN A CLUSTERED COMPUTER ENVIRONMENT
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.